PARLIAMENT OF THE PROVINCE OF THE WESTERN CAPE

QUESTION PAPER

WRITTEN REPLY

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FRIDAY, 2 OCTOBER 2020

1. Mr M K Sayed to ask Ms D A Schäfer, Minister of Education:

- (1) Whether there are any schools in quintile 4 and quintile 5 that are struggling to pay the salaries for governing body teachers; if so, (a) what are the details of each school and (b) what intervention measures have been taken to support such struggling schools;
- (2) whether there are any schools, especially in quintile 4 and quintile 5, that (a) terminated contracts of governing body teachers or (b) could not pay them full salaries during the lockdown period; if so, (i) what are the relevant details and (ii) what impact did it have on teaching and learning at those schools?

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2. Mr M K Sayed to ask Ms D A Schäfer, Minister of Education:

Whether there are any learner transport providers in the province that either were not paid or received late payments between June and September 2020; if so, (a) what are the relevant details, (b) what impact did this have on learners' travelling and (c) how has she intervened?

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3. Mr M Kama to ask Mr A T Fritz, Minister of Community Safety:

With regard to the Western Cape Safety Plan:

- (1) (a) What is the update on LEAP deployment, including (a) the number of law enforcement officers who have been (i) recruited and trained and (ii) deployed and (b) what the total breakdown is of costs incurred for the (i) recruitment and training and (ii) deployment of these law enforcement officers;
- (2) what is the salary range for the different ranks of law enforcement officers;

- (3) whether any of the law enforcement officers, who are part of the Safety Plan, are earning EPWP salaries; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (4) whether there are any law enforcement officers, who have completed training, who are not deployed; if so, (a) what are the relevant details and (b) what are the details of all these officers;
- (5) whether the nationwide lockdown has had an impact on the training and deployment of boots on the ground; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (6) what is the number of officers who have been deployed in priority crime areas, including (a) the details of the areas in which they are deployed and (b) what the scope of their of work is?

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4. Ms P Z Lekker to ask Mr D J Maynier, Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities:

- (1) What is the total expenditure for the procurement of PPE for the Western Cape Provincial Parliament, including the total breakdown of each expenditure item and unit price;
- (2) whether there is a one-stop shop or a centralised system for PPE procurement in the province; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) whether, with regard to the emergency procurement of PPE, his Department has given advice on the process; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (4) (a) what are the details of the budgets that were allocated to municipalities to deal with the pandemic, (b) how much was allocated to each municipality and (c) what is the total breakdown of expenditure for each municipality?

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5. Mr C M Dugmore to ask Mr A R Winde, Premier:

- (1) (a) What is his Department's total budget for legal services, (b) what (i) is his Department's total breakdown of expenditure for legal services from the beginning of the sixth administration to date and (ii) are the details of cases that have been paid for;
- (2) (a) what was his Department's expenditure on legal services in (i) 2014, (ii) 2015, (iii) 2016, (iv) 2017, (v) 2018 and (vi) 2019 and (b) what are the details of the cases that have been paid for;
- (3) (a) how much has his Department spent on the Tafelberg site court case to date and (b) how much is budgeted for the appeal to the Supreme Court of Appeal?

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6. Mr L L Mvimbi to ask Mr B S Madikizela, Minister of Transport and Public Works:

(1) (a) How much has the provincial government spent on (a) bus, (b) railway and (c) minibus taxi subsidies and (b) how many commuters benefitted from (a) bus, (b) train and (c) minibus taxi services;

- (2) whether there are plans to start offering subsidies to commuters as opposed to selected service providers; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) whether there are plans to increase the subsidy for the minibus taxi industry; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (4) what are his Department's plans to address the inequalities in the subsidies paid to the different modes of transport?

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7. Mr D Smith to ask Mr A W Bredell, Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:

- (1) Whether there are any councillors who are in arrears with their municipal or services account; if so, (a) what are the relevant details and (b) what measures have been put in place to monitor and prevent this;
- (2) whether councillors owing money to municipalities have had any impact on service delivery; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

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8. Ms N D Nkondlo to ask Mr D J Maynier, Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities:

With regard to the Division of Revenue Amendment Act, 2020 (Act 10 of 2020), Schedule 7, Part A and B:

(a) What (i) is the total amount that the province received and (ii) was it intended for, (b) what is the total breakdown of expenditure for the received funds and (c) what percentage of the budget has been spent as at September 2020, including a breakdown of the expenditure for all the recipients?

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9. Mr G Bosman to ask Ms S G Fernandez, Minister of Social Development:

- (1) (a) What is the total number of gender-based violence (GBV) cases that were reported to the South African Police Service (SAPS) from the commencement of the lockdown on 26 March 2020 to date and (b) of the number reported, how many people (i) have been charged and (ii) convicted;
- (2) (a) in what way does her Department's "In the Mirror / I am me" Sexual Offenders Programme contribute to the eradication of gender-based violence in the province, (b) for how long has the programme existed, (c) what are its objectives and (d) to what extent have these objectives been met during the measurable period;
- (3) in his speech announcing the commencement of lockdown alert level 1, the President referred to 30 gender-based violence (GBV) "hotspots": (a) how many of these are in the Western Cape and (b) what are their respective locations;
- (4) whether the provincial government had any engagement with the national government with regard to the identification of such hotspots; if so, what methods or techniques are used to identify these locations?

10. Mr G Bosman to ask Ms S G Fernandez, Minister of Social Development:

With regard to children at hospitals awaiting placement at places of safety:

- (a) What is the total number of such children, (b) what is the number per hospital and
- (c) how many social workers are assigned to the hospitals across the province?

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11. Mr G Bosman to ask Ms S G Fernandez, Minister of Social Development:

Whether, where social workers have been placed at hospitals, there any partnerships have developed between the provincial government and such hospitals in the province; if so, (a) at which hospitals are such partnerships in place or in development and (b) what process is followed in establishing such partnerships?

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12. Mr B N Herron to ask Mr A W Bredell, Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:

With regard to the City of Cape Town's water augmentation plan and desalination in particular:

- (1) (a) What was the value of the tender awarded for the desalination plants at (i) Strandfontein, (ii) Monwabisi, (iii) Strand, Harmony Park, and (iv) Hout Bay, Dido Valley, and (b) for what period did the plants operate;
- (2) whether these plants were decommissioned or transferred; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) (a) how much compliant potable water was supplied by each plant to the City of Cape Town and (b) what was the cost per megalitre supplied to the City of Cape Town;
- (4) whether there was a water price agreement; if so, (a) what was the agreed price and (b) how much did the City of Cape Town pay to the service provider for the water supplied?

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13. Mr R I Allen to ask Mr A T Fritz, Minister of Community Safety:

With regard to the Anti-corruption Trends (ACT) 2020 and the increase in corruption cases reported against the South African Police Service (SAPS):

- (1) (a) What is the trend for the province, (b) how many of these cases occurred in the province and (c) what are the nature of these cases;
- (2) whether any of these cases have been lodged; if so, what are the status of these cases?

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14. Mr B N Herron to ask Mr A W Bredell, Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:

With regard to the acoustic technology (ShotSpotter) for violence detection and reduction currently being used on the Cape Flats by the City of Cape Town:

(a) When was this technology first implemented, (b) how many people have been arrested as a direct result of this technology, (c) how many people have been convicted as a result of this technology and (d) what has been the total cost of this technology since its inception?

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15. Mr D G Mitchell to ask Mr B S Madikizela, Minister of Transport and Public Works:

- (1) With regard to Prasa and Metrorail in the Western Cape, (a) how many cases of vandalism and theft of rail infrastructure were recorded in the (i) 2017/18, (ii) 2018/19 and (iii) 2019/20 financial years, (b) what is the total rand value of the vandalism and theft per financial year, how many (c) charges and (d) convictions took place per financial year;
- (2) whether there has been significant vandalism and theft during the COVID-19 lockdown period; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) whether the vandalism and theft of Prasa and Metrorail railway infrastructure has been prioritised by the national government as a serious crime; if not, what measures has he undertaken to prioritise railway vandalism and theft in the province;
- (4) whether the province will receive security support from personnel currently being recruited; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (5) whether an audit or survey has been done to ascertain the implications for restoring rail services after the COVID-19 lockdown; if so, what are the implications from a cost and operational perspective?

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16. Mr D G Mitchell to ask Mr B S Madikizela, Minister of Transport and Public Works:

(a) How many Prasa and Metrorail train (i) stations and (ii) carriages are there in the Western Cape currently, (b) how many of these train stations and carriages in the Western Cape are (i) operational and (ii) non-operational, (c) what is the total number of kilometre of rail currently not in use in the province, (d) how many kilometre of rail are not in use in the province due to vandalism and theft and (e) how many kilometre of rail cannot be accessed in the province due to the illegal occupation of land?

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17. Mr D G Mitchell to ask Mr A W Bredell, Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:

With reference to the Central Karoo District Municipality:

- (1) Whether the forensic report, commonly known as the Africa Creek Report, as commissioned by the Central Karoo District Municipality, has been brought to his attention; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) whether the report, as received from the appointed forensic investigation agency, was tabled at a council meeting; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) whether the Council provided him with a copy of the report; if not, why not; if so, can a copy of the report be made available;

- (4) whether the cost borne by the Municipality to commission this investigation can be provided; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (5) whether the council meeting minutes where the decision was made to appoint a forensic investigator can be made available; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

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PLEASE NOTE: The replies to the questions contained in this Question Paper are due on 16 October 2020. Should the replies not be submitted before or on the deadline, the Members have the right to have the questions transferred to the Question Paper for oral reply in accordance with Rule 206.